

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
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For: CORROSION-RESISTANT COATING
COMPOSITION FOR STEEL, A COATED
STEEL PRODUCT, AND A STEEL COATING
PROCESS

Examiner: J. J. Zimmerman

REPLY BRIEF

MS Appeal Brief - Patents
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Considered.
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As required under § 37 C.F.R. 41.41, this reply brief is filed within two months of the

Examiner's Answer.

RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S ARGUMENTS

A Patentable Distinction Does Exist Between Instant Application and Okumura

Examiner states that "Okumura shows no example comparing an iron-aluminum intermetallic layer of 1 micron with an iron-aluminum intermetallic layer of just over 1 micron (the beginning of the appellants planned range) (p. 8, Examiner's Answer). As such, the Examiner concludes that "[i]t is not clear in what manner appellant believes that Okumura has satisfied appellant's burden of establishing a patentable distinction between Komura claimed